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TAGS: EWWT, GT, US

SUBJECT: DELTA/FLOMERCA PROBLEM - CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION  
AGAINST U.S. "INTERFERENCE"

REF: GUATEMALA 4153

SUMMARY: RESOLUTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY  
GUATEMLA CONGRESS CONDEMNING DELTA "INTERFERENCE" AND  
CALLING FOR INVESTIGATION BY GOG OF EMBASSY REPRESENTA-  
TION OF DELTA INTERESTS. RESOLUTION COULD HAVE BEEN  
MUCH WORSE AND MAY REPRESENT FINAL GUATEMALAN STATEMENT  
ON MATTER FOR TIME BEING. END SUMMARY.

1. ON AUGUST 5 "PUNTO RESOLUTIVE" - NON-BINDING SENSE OF  
CONGRESS - WAS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY ON DELTA/FLOMERCA ISSUE.  
RESOLUTION PROTESTS ENERGETICALLY "INTERFERENCE" BY  
DELTA IN INTERNAL GUATEMALAN AFFAIRS, CALLED FOR INVESTI-  
GATION BY FONOFF OF CONDUCT OF EMBASSY OFFICIALS WHO ARE  
REPRESENTING INTERESTS OF TRANSNATIONAL COMPANY, AND  
BACKS NATIONAL SHIPPING LINES AND GOG IN DECISIONS THEY  
MAY TAKE IN MATTER. FULL TEXT SEPTTEL.

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2. CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS PRESENTED THEIR RESOLUTION TO

CONGRESS FIRST. PID COUNTERED WITH THEIRS (REFTEL) AND THEN IN UNUSUAL MOVE SUGGESTED THAT PARTIES WITHDRAW TO WORK OUT AGREED DRAFT HARMONIZING THE TWO RESOLUTIONS. JOINT PRODUCT RECEIVED FORMAL SUPPORT OF ALL PARTIES (EXCEPT, ACCORDING TO ONE PRESS ACCOUNT, CAO).

3. AGREED RESOLUTION CONFIRMS SHIFT OF PRINCIPAL FOCUS OF ATTACK IN MATTER FROM USG (FIRST AGAINST THE "SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR IN GUATEMALA", THEN OFFICIALS OF THE EMBASSY INTERVENING IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF GUATEMALA) TO DELTA ITSELF. CLEAR THAT CONGRESS HAS NOT PROBED MATTER DEEPLY. PENDING UNDERSTANDS ISSUES ONLY IMPERFECTLY.

4. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT OUR PRESS RELEASE WAS HELPFUL IN MODERATING ATTACK. FOREIGN MINISTER HAS TOLD AMBASSADOR

THAT IT WAS USEFUL DEPICTION OF ACTUAL FACTS OF MATTER. EVEN FLOMERCA MANAGER EXPRESSED TO AMBASSADOR SATISFACTION WITH STATEMENT (WHILE, OF COURSE, CONTINUING TO FAN OPPOSITION TO ALL U.S. ACTIVITIES IN MATTER).

5. HAVING DEFENDED NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY AND SUPPORTED NATIONAL SHIPPING ENTERPRISE, POLITICAL ELEMENTS MAY NOW LET ISSUE SUBSIDE UNLESS OR UNTIL AROUSED BY FURTHER PUBLICITY.  
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